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Honorable Don Perata Senate President pro Tempore

Honorable Dick Ackerman Senate Republican Leader Honorable Fabian Nuñez Speaker of the Assembly

Honorable Michael Villines Assembly Republican Leader

We will be issuing our Monthly Finance Bulletin next week. While all revenue data for May are not yet available, preliminary cash receipt information for the Personal Income Tax, Sales and Use Tax, and Corporation Tax reflects a shortfall of \$764 million as compared to our revenue forecast from the May Revision. Given the magnitude of this shortfall, I felt it was important to alert you to it as soon as possible. The table below details the components of the shortfall.

	<b>May 2007</b> dollars in billions			Year-to-Date 2006-07 dollars in billions		
	Forecast	Actual	Difference	Forecast	Actual	Difference
Personal Income Tax	\$2.711	\$2.304	-\$0.407	\$47.490	\$46.846	-\$0.644
Sales Tax	2.681	2.600	-0.081	25.624	25.543	-0.081
Corporation Tax	0.287	0.249	<u>-0.038</u>	<u>9.062</u>	9.024	<u>-0.038</u>
Total Big 3	\$5.679	\$5.153	-\$0.526	\$82.176	\$81.413	\$0.764

It is too early to know the impact, if any, of May cash on the 2007-08 revenue forecast. We were pleased that income tax withholding came within \$20 million of the \$2.67 billion forecast. However, the \$764 million shortfall through May puts the Special Fund for Economic Uncertainties at risk.

I would urge you to consider the implications of this shortfall for the Legislature's deliberations on the budget. In my view, the shortfall underscores the need for the Legislature to adopt all of the savings proposed in the May Revision.

Sincerely.

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